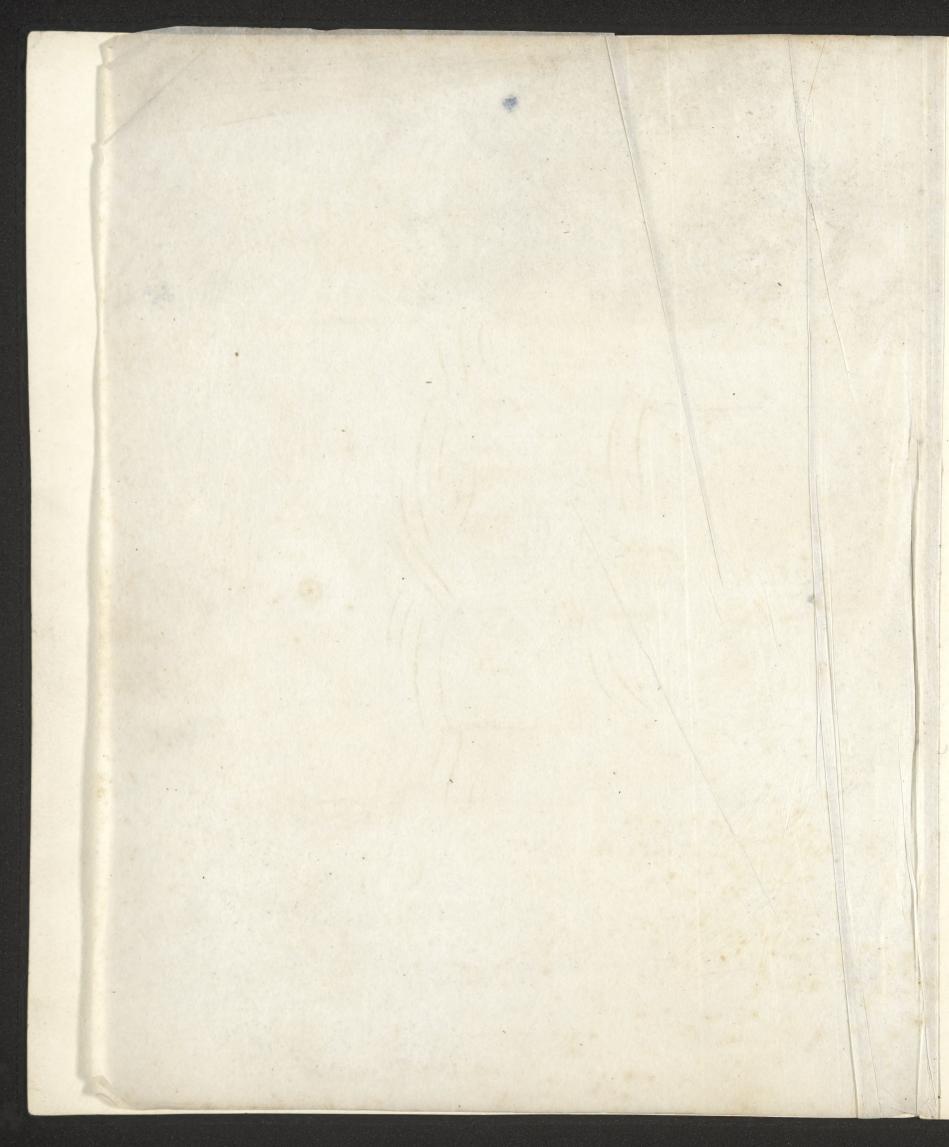
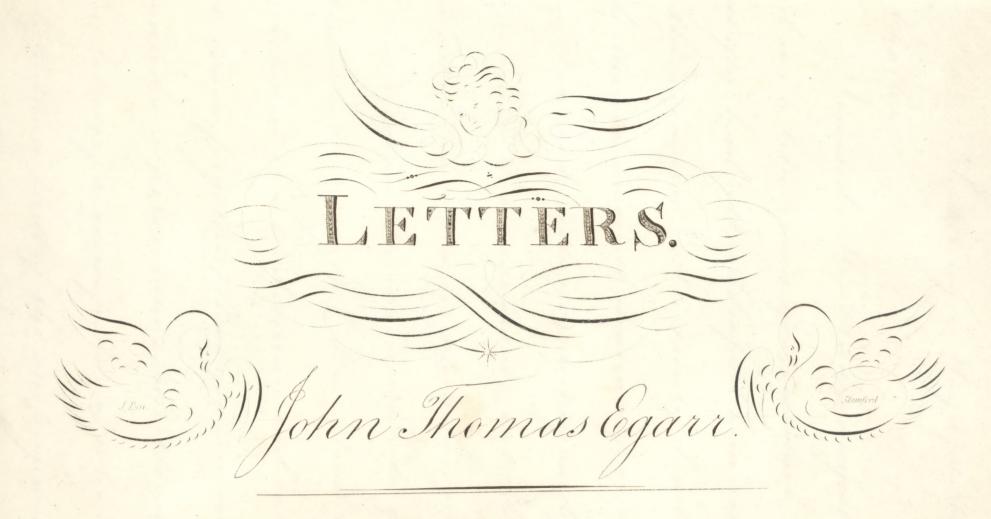
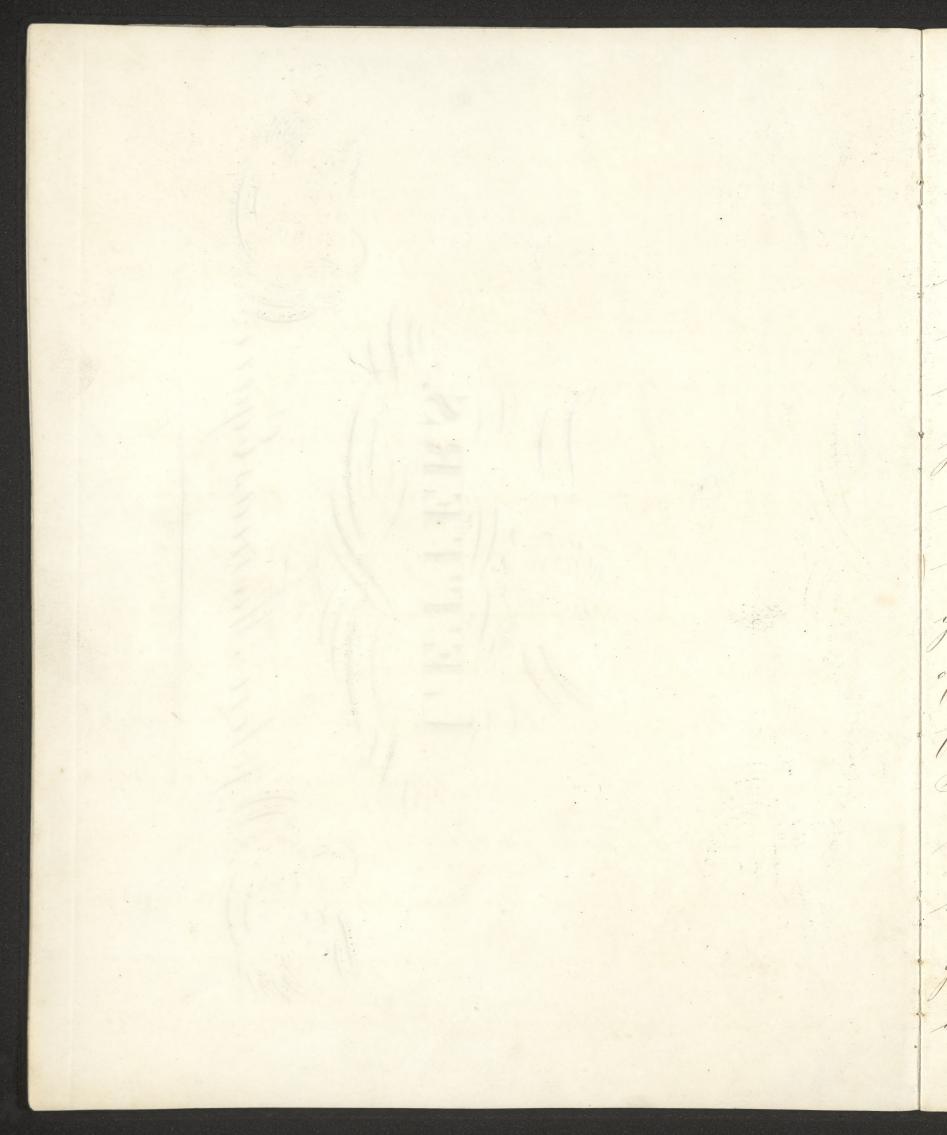


TIERS. John Thomas Egarr







My dear Charles, Ivisited Mr. Anderson yesterday, when he showed me a letter from you, in which I was sorry to see that you had not addressed him in a way suited to the occasion. I certainly do not wish you to lay aside the commercial manner of writing, any more than I should wish you to lay aside the character and pursuits that require it; but Idowish you to discriminate between the common language of business, and that of general intercourse with your friends. To begin a letter with Mr. Anderson, Tir, may pass between one tradesman and another; but you seem to have forgotten that you were writing to a gentleman and a scholar, who cannot be much gratified by the letters of a correspondent who can use no other style than that of the shop and the

warehouse. It may be convenient for the man of business, when writing several letters at one sitting, to begin with the name of the person he addresses, by way of preventing mistakes; but the man of education does this by writing the name of his correspondent below the conclusion of his letter, at the left hand corner of his page; and this leaves him at liberty to use any mode of address ? which rank or circumstances may require. Thust you will profit by this hint from Your affectionate Father. London, June 7th, 1845. Ireceived your letter, and am exceedingby sorry to hear of the death of your late master, but at the same time Sam pleased to find that his business has fallen into such good hands. You have double

advantage over a stranger, as you are well acquainted both with the trade and customers, which, by his deal ings with me, appear to be very extensive. Theartily thank you for your offered correspondence, have sent your goods agreeably to your order, and shall, on all occasions, heat you in a manner that is due from one tradesman to another. I wish you success in your undertakings, and, am, with great respect, Your obliged humble servant, Isaac Jucker D. Bloomsbury Square, June 10th, 1845. Mifs Smith presents her kind compliments to Miss fennings, and being at home for two days, will be happy in the company of her friend to tea to morrow evening; and, for the sake of a long chat, the

um will be on the table exactly at half past six. Tottenham Court, June 10 th, 1845. Mifs Jennings presents her compliments to Mifs Smith, and promises herself the pleasure of being able to wait upon her, according to her kind and polite invitation. Witney, fune 10 th, 1845. Gentlemen, We begleave to introduce to your notice the bearer of this Letter, Mr. Edward Wilmot, who is about to commence business on his own account at Banbury. He served his apprenticeship with us, and has lived in our Service for four years subsequently; and from the manner in which he has uniformly

conducted himself while with us, and his general habits of business, we do not doubt that he will succeed in establishing a respectable Trade. If you feel disposed to open an account with him, our opinion is that you may do so with perfect safety; and indeed so high is our estimate of his ability and integrity, that we should not hesitate, if you require it, to become his quarantee to the amount of £. 150 or £. 200. He are, Gentlemen, Mefors J. Brown. Ho, Your most obed! Gewants, Warehousemen, Edmett Glons. Friday St., Harehousemen, Friday St., London. Mids. 1815.

Hamford; e lug. 2 nd; 15/15. Dear George, Itake the first opportunity that has offered, to inquire after your health, and that of your friends; and Sexpect you will regularly answer each of my letters, that I may have an opportunity of observing whether you remember, or have forgother, the rules Former a by gave you concerning the writing of letters. I now, therefor, call upon you to fut those rules into practice. Youremember, no doubt, my first direction was, to be very correct and circumspect in your spelling: this is the first and most essential requisite in all hinds of writing. Make use of no words of which you do not perfectly understand the sense; the vulgar part of the world, in general, are very much addicted to this absurdity. You will, now, often hear people condemn a work, as ungrammatical and deficient in

the conaments of style, though they themselves be unac quainted with the first rudiments of grammar, and know not the meaning of a flower in wheteric. Avoid refretitions; they always offend the judicious ear, and are soldon freque, except when they enforce any particular meaning, or explain it more fully. Parentheses are always inelegant, and should never be used but when absolutely necessary, as they render the sentence too complex. Never use the long fina word, except when two frmeet, in which case it is necessary for distinction. Aletter interlined has a very ungraceful appearance: it is also an affront; for it indicates either laxings or indifference, or both. When you wish to lay a strong emphasis on any word, or intend that it should be fear Sicularly noticed, it is common to draw a shoke under it with the pen, thus; such words, when frinted, are ful in italics; but, when these emphatical words are em- played too frequently, they lose their effect; and, when used improperly, they puzzle the reader. Bewere of using many monosyllables; they are insignificant words: necesse too many long words, lest you exceed comprehension. Thun fracticles as much as prossible: he very sparing of the words and, for, and but. Be not fond of inventing new words; there are enough already to express all our ideas; and more, I fear, than you will fully comforthend. Be attentive to the rules of grammar, and donot jumble The present, past, and future tenses of the verb together, as many incorrect writeredo: neither confound the gendors of ficonouns: nor use the singular for the plurat vert, which is frequently done; as you was for you were. If the sentence be conditional, use the conditional mood. Let your style be simple and perspiceous, and your sentences short: let it be as concise as possible; for a forolixwriter hies the patience of his reader.

Observe that your points be all placed justly, which fi will add grace and perspiculty to your writing. : These hints Thepe will be attended to: let me see the in effects of them in your next letter: while I remain, Fwith compliments to your Father and Mother, Dear George, Hour sincere friend. Stamford, Aug. 23rd, 1845. Dear Father, Although I quitted you, my Mother and my Tisters, with much reluctance yesterday, Jani sensible that I should be very unwelling of your kindness, if I continued to regret my absence from home. You told me that learning was of such use in every station of life, that I should be despised and ridiculed if I were to remain ignorant of those subjects of which you read and converse. Sam convinced of the buth of every thing that you say; but franticularly of this, because I feel so awkward and feelish, when Jane asked a question concerning any of my studies, to which Icannot give an immediate answer. How are so kind asto provide me with books, and to place me with instructors, in every science and c art proper for me to learn; and Jam sure I should be unworthy of your regard, if I did not indeavour to firefit by their care. Mr. Cooke received me with the greastest affection; and I been highly gratified, This merning, by his affrond of the English and Latines composition, which he had afrigued me for holiday exercises. Had you heard his commendations of them, e Throw you would have been pleased; but were I tore freat what he said, it would have the appearance of vanily. The ficitism of wrong to be very much

pleased with praise; - you told me never to value any other than that which serves to assure us that we have done our duty. The praise of my esterned Master seemed to me of this nature, and I ventured to feel highly gratified by it. All the young gentlemen ks, are not yet afsembled here, and therefore the regular d'elajres une not formed: we read neverthelifs both in Latin and English. This afternoon, Ishall how my French theme to the French Marter. I shall not be the much pleased if he praises it, because Isuffered my bouren Henry to write some of it for me: positively, in neither Henry nor any one else shall write a word y forme in future. I now begin to think I must tell m, Monsieur that I have been assisted in it; otherwise it e will feel so degrading to accept commendations to which Sam not entitled. He will be anywy to be * sure:- however I can quessibat your opinion is,

consequence be what it may: - Twish Henry had not touched it. Mr. & Mrs. booke desire their respects to you and the family: fray give my love to Manina, Fisters, and all friends; and believe me, Dear Father, Your affectionate and dutiful Son. Nothingham, Och. 18th, 1845. Having to mula heavy demandon the 31st instant, I should feel greatly obliged if you could settle the balance between us, which, you will see by your books, is L. 250. 12s., and has been standing over a considerable hime in my favour. I should not how of ever, have applied to you at this moment, were Inot

comfeelled by a due regard to my credit in the com-I'mercial world. Your compliance, therefore, with my request, will much avail, Your obedient Germent. · tylesbury, Oct. 25 th, 1845. Having, with the concurrence of my friends, taken a shop in this lown, Sam desirous of opening an account with you, to supply me with such articles as I may require in the Grocery line; in the same manner as you have done business with my late worthy muster, Mr. Seal, of Abringdon. I must beg permission to say, that I have left on the very best lems with that gentliman; as a proof of which, he has kindly condescended to allow me to refer you to him. and he will answer any questions respecting me which

you may deem necessary. San, Gir,

Mour Milliam Wather. London, Nov. 1 st, 1845. I beg to acknowledge the receiptef your letter, and to offer you my congratulations on your com mencement, and bestwisher for your succession business. I think you have inadoching fa situation will cal culated to command a respectable convexion; which, no doubt, by perseverance and integrity, you will soon of tain. Inreply to your application, I must say, Ishall be extremely happy to serve you on such conditions as those to which you allude, and you can forward your to first order wheneveryou think proper. In the mean of hime I shall write to Mr. Teal, the result of which,

Sconfidently rely, will be quite satisfactory to,

Your friend and well wisher,

John Thomas Egair. London, November 81h, 1845. Tricewed your letter last night, on my - return home, and Jam very sorry I shall not be able to see your buther to-day, previously to his defeature for Bengal. My son, who is very ill at lettego, has o this morning sent his servant with a trote from his. - physician, who wishes to see me immediately; however, It if his indisposition is not very serious, I will endeavour to return to town in the evening, and prepare the tellors of introduction which I promised your brother, the n' last time he called upon me. Remember me kindly to Mrs. Sunders.

Believe me, yoursturly.

Brompton, Nov. 8th, 1845. My dear Mothers, I thank you a thousand times for the handsome present you sent me by William last Tahuday; I may a sure you I will do my whost to deserve such a hinduefo. My master, Mr. North, wishes me to inform you that he is satisfied with my improvement, and he hopes to be able to place me next year in the first class. and to make me begin freek. lan you send me, ont Monday or Tuesday, a few good quills and all my Latin and Trench books, which you will find in my study; as Imay want them to complete my studies in those two languages. Two the theother day a French letter to my Uncle Wilson, but have not yet been facewed with an answer. Irather suspect he is fruited how to write French now, it is so long since he has corresponded in that language; if you see him,

tell him Sam expecting to hear from him every day. Give my love to fane and Sophia; and believe me, Your affectionate and dutiful Sont, William Watson. Teffon, Wills. Nov. 29th, 1845. My dear Gir, I begin to fear you have forgothen your old friend. It is now nearly six weeks since I heard last from you. I must attribute, I suppose, such silence to your numerous engagements. I should have written before, but I expected to go down on the 22 nd instant to join your shooting party on that day. However, Mis. H's indisposition could not admit of my leaving her; Jam happy to say she is fast recovering, and if nothing prevent me, I shall take her to Clifton next

month, to spend a few weeks at Major Hings; which will enable us to have the pleasure of calling upon you during our stay in that delightful spot.

Jumain, dear Gir,

Yours sincerely.

M. A. Hutt desires has hilled to M. 1845.

M. A. Hock desires her kind love to Mifs Vining, and wishes to know how she finds herself this morning; and whether she experienced any ill effects from the dampiness of the evening in returning home.

39, Davies Street, Dec. 6th, 18/15.

E. Vining returns her grateful acknowledgments to her dear friend, Hifs Floets, for her kind inquiries, and afsures her that she took not the slightest cold last night, and is quite comfortable to-day, after so pleasant an evening; enjoyment.

